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Title: METHOD FOR ADAPTIVE CRITICAL
PATH DELAY ESTIMATION DURING
TIMING-DRIVEN PLACEMENT FOR
HIERARCHICAL PROGRAMMABLE
LOGIC DEVICES

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Please consider the following amendments and remarks provided with the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.